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PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

UNITED STATES.

REQUEST FOR REPORTS ON INFLUENZA (LA GRIPPE).

Medical officers, acting assistant surgeons of the Marine-Hospital Service, secretaries of State boards of health, and other sanitarians are requested to report as soon as practicable whether influenza or la grippe is prevailing in their respective localities, giving the type of the disease, number of cases (when possible), mortality, and the treatment, sanitary and medicinal, with as full statistics as possible. The information is desired for publication in the PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

In addition to present conditions, a statement is also desired as to dates (even though approximate) of the appearance of la grippe and the estimated number of cases to date of report.

[Reports to the Surgeon-General United States Marine-Hospital Service.]

Smallpox in Cairo, Ill.

CAIRO, ILL., *January 26, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to report for the week ended Jannary 26, 1901, 3 new cases of smallpox in this city. Number remaining under treatment at beginning of week, 6; new cases during week, 3; discharged during week, 4; remaining under treatment at end of week, 5. Total cases December 22, 1900, to January 26, 1901, 19.

Respectfully, JOHN MILTON HOLT,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S., In Command.

Smallpox in Chicago, Ill.

CHICAGO, ILL., *January 20, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that 13 cases of smallpox were discovered in this city yesterday and taken to the isolation hospital.

Respectfully, HENRY W. SAWTELLE,
Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Smallpox in Louisiana.

SHREVEPORT, LA., *January 20, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to inclose the report of the smallpox situation at this port for the week ended January 19, 1901, and will keep you advised every week. All cases have been imported except 1, that developed from exposure to a case in charity hospital. There is